

VZ-200

Reverse video

An interesting effect available on the VZ-200 is the ability to reverse the video display via a POKE command.

On turning on the VZ-200 (version 2.0), the text is shown as black on a light green background. COLOR,1 changes the display to black on an orange background.

POKE 30744,0 : COLOR,0 — black text on light green.

POKE 30744,0 : COLOR,1 — black text on orange.

POKE 30744,1 : COLOR,0 — light green text on dark green.

POKE 30744,1 : COLOR,1 — orange on red.

Using a black and white TV set as monitor, the effect is shown as black text on white, or white text on black, respectively.

POKEing these values has no effect on the eight foreground colours in low resolution graphics MODE(0), only the background colours,

POKEing 30744,1 reverses the image, giving light green text on a dark green background with COLOR,0 and orange text on a red background with COLOR,1.

POKEing 30744,0 reverts back to black text on a light background.

In summarising:

nor do they have any effect in high resolution, MODE(1). They do, however have an effect on the block graphics on the upper case J and Z keys, the poles of these two block graphics being reversed when entering POKE 30744,0.

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